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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Gen. Maximo Gomez had a private interview with Gen. Brooke, at the latter's residence in Havana. —— Filipino sharpshooters continue to annoy the American soldiers on the lines around Manila; all is quiet in the city. —— The army bill occupied the time of the House yesterday up to the hour of adjournment. —— In the Senate the compromise army bill was considered. —— U. S. naval forces at Manila have received the surrender of Cebu and taken quiet possession of the capital of the island. —— New York markets: Money on call was steady at 2@2½ per cent., last loan being at 2½ per cent.; cotton dull; middling uplands 6¼c.; flour firmer but quiet; wheat—spot steady; No. 2 85½c.; corn—spot steady; No. 2, 45½c. rosin—no report; spirits turpentine steady at 46@46½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 25.

Temperature: 8 A. M., 37 deg.; 8 P. M., 49 deg.; maximum, 55 deg.; minimum, 36 deg.; mean, 46 deg.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.60.

STORM WARNING.

The following telegram has been received from the Chief of the Weather Bureau:

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Observer, Wilmington, N. C.—Storm northeast signals hoisted 4.30 P. M., Savannah and Charleston. Storm in Oklahoma and Texas, moving east; will cause high easterly winds to-night, with rain. MOORE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Hoist storm southeast signal, 10.30 P. M., Wilmington, Morehead, Washington, Norfolk section, Norfolk, Newport News, Fort Monroe, West Point. Storm central in Western Missouri, moving northeastward. High east winds; probably rain.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—For North Carolina—Rain; warmer; brisk to high easterly winds.

Port Almanac---Feb. 26.

Sun Rises	6.36 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.51 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 15 M.
High Water at Southport	8.15 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	12.15 P. M.

Mexico has now 7,500 miles of railroad, 440 of which were added last year.

Dreyfus is the leading political issue in France and a pretty fussy issue he is.

It is said that Alger's proposed junket to Cuba will cost the Government $200,000.

It is estimated that base ball in this country cost $1,000,000 a year. And it costs lots of broken noses and broken decalogues, too.

Mr. Bryan thinks that "destiny" with a $ mark before it and equipped with a sword, isn't the kind that Providence ought to be charged with.

A Maryland man figures out that he has eaten 28,560 loaves of bread, and thus establishes the fact that he was pretty considerable of a loafer.

It is claimed that the Filipinos are not an utterly hopeless race, because they use soap. And they don't eat it, either, like the Russians do.

The Alabama dispensary law recently passed applies to only seventeen counties. The are twenty-one counties now under prohibition rule, and twenty-eight where liquor will continue to be sold as usual.

Congressman Joe Cannon, of Illinois, chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, is a native of Guilford county, in this State. North Carolina has produced bigger guns than this Cannon.

Secretary Long has cut off the grog of the sailors on our warships, but hasn't interfered with the champagne and other exhilarating beverages of the officers. It will be a long time before the sailor boys will forget Long.

Congressman Lacey, of New York, looks so much like Secretary Alger that Tom Reed advised him to get himself "whitewashed." But then he would look more like whitewashed Alger. Nothing short of a coat of stucco would do.

There is a soldier in the Japanese army who is strong enough to tote a field piece on his shoulder and climb a mountain with it where horses couldn't scramble up. He is a daisy, but they have to allow him two men's rations.

The American mule is no back number. While horses have fallen in value to an average of $35, the mule stands at an average of $42. But he doesn't behave any better, for he will kick like forty, too, on the slightest provocation.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The STAR regrets to note that Jailer G. W. Millis continues quite sick.

— Nine licenses for marriage were issued during the past week; six to white couples and three to colored.

— Maj. D. O'Connor, the well known real estate agent on Princess street, has placed an attractive sign at his office door.

— Col. Thos. W. Strange announces that he is a candidate for re-election to the office of city attorney at the approaching primaries.

— The Mayor disposed of only one case yesterday. Nathan Hayes, colored, for shooting with a sling-shot on the streets, was taxed with the costs.

— The schooner *Wm. F. Green*, Captain Johnsen, which has been out from Boston forty-one days, arrived with all safe to Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co. yesterday afternoon.

— In the lobby of The Orton yesterday there was on exhibition for several hours a fine fat wild turkey gobbler, which was one of a pair killed by Col. K. M. Murchison on Orton plantation Friday afternoon.

— The funeral of Mrs. Eliza Forrest, whose death was announced in yesterday's STAR, will be held from Fifth Street M. E. Church this morning at 9 30 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. J. H. Hall, will conduct the services.

— The funeral of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mohr, whose death occurred Friday, was held yesterday afternoon from the residence, corner Seventh and Red Cross streets, Rev. A. D. McClure officiating. The interment was at Oakdale.

— Our Raleigh correspondent thinks the charter bill will pass the Senate as it came from the House. On the other hand, Representative Willard telegraphs the STAR that "the bill will probably pass with Police Commission eliminated."

— Rev. J. H. Hall, of Fifth Street M. E. Church, will be the special speaker at the 5 o'clock Y. M. C. A. mass meeting this afternoon. Arrangements have also been made for a good musical programme, so that a most interesting service is assured.

— On Wednesday night in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium Mr. Geo. Kennan, the Siberian traveller, will deliver his famou slecture, "Mountains and Mountaineers of the Caucasus," under the joint auspices of the Wilmington Lyceum and the Y. M. C. A. Star Course.

— In the advertising columns of to-day's STAR Maj. Dan O'Connor, the enterprising real estate agent, advertises Carolina Beach Hotel for sale or to lease for a term of years. He announces that special inducements will be offered to parties willing to invest a few hundred dollars.

— Messrs. DeWitt Love, J. B. Mercer, R. P. McClammy, Jr., J. W. Jackson, Maj. W. A. Johnson and Maj. W. H. Bernard have been appointed by the Chamber of Commerce as a committee to consider the advisability of inviting the New England Newspaper League to visit this city.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Citizen—For Mayor.
Frank Haffner—Shoes.
D. O'Connor—For sale.
Notice—Primary election.
M. H. Curran—Spring suits.
Johnson & Fore—Great sale.
Owen F. Love & Co.—Notice.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Reduction.
A. D. Brown—The new season.
Thos. W. Strange—To the public.
Vollers & Hashagen—Provisions.
C. W. Yates & Co.—Office supplies.
J. H. Rehder & Co.—White shirt sale.
W. B. Cooper—Tobacco and cigars.
Opera House—Under the Red Robe.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Tubular boiler.
W. P. Oldham & Co.—Oranges.
P. H. Hayden—Buggies, harness.
L. T. Bowden—I am not a candidate.

THE TUG ANNA BURNED.

Caught Fire While Anchored Off Wessell's Wharf Last Night.

The little steam tug *Anna*, belonging to Mr. Charles H. Wessell, was burned last night about 8 o'clock. She was tied up alongside the *Imperial*, another of Mr. Wessell's boats, at his wharf near Mr. J. H. Taylor's coal and wood yard, and the fire was discovered by Mr. Joseph Roderick, night watchman at Messrs. Robinson & King's naval stores yard. He immediately cut the boat loose, and sent her adrift down the river with the outgoing tide, knowing that if this was not done the *Imperial* and the naval stores on the yard adjoining would be on fire before the fire department could reach the scene.

Soon after the *Anna* went adrift the tug *Marion*, which was anchored off Mr. Sprunt's wharf, followed, and turned on a stream of water. The *Imperial* also followed and pushed the hull ashore on the western side of the river.

An alalm of fire was turned in from box 43, and the department promptly responded, but could render no assistance.

City Primaries Called.

In the advertising columns of to-day's STAR, the City Democratic Executive Committee calls a primary to be held Monday, March 13th, for the election of candidates for the city election. The rules governing same with a list of election inspectors, appear in the advertisement.

SPECIAL MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT

White Laborers' Union Adopt Resolutions Relative to New City Charter Bill—No Endorsements.

The White Laborers' Union held a well attended and enthusiastic meeting in Hibernian Hall last night. President M. F. Dowling presided, and Jno. G. Marshall was secretary.

The president stated that the object of the meeting was to consider the matter of the new charter bill now pending in the Legislature The matter was briefly and pointedly discussed by President Dowling, Secretary Marshall, Messrs. R. M. Capps, V. Swann, W. W. King, M. G. Silvia, Jno. A. Lockfaw, J. Smith, Capt. W. P. Oldham and others.

President Dowling and Secretary Marshall were appointed a committee to go to Raleigh in the interest of the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, News has reached us of a movement on foot in the General Assembly of North Carolina to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington, N. C., by changing the provision in the bill as already passed by the present House of Representatives, regarding the appointment of the Police and Fire Commission by the incoming Board of Aldermen; and, whereas, the bill passed by the House of Representatives was a compromise agreed to by the majority of the white voters of this community in order to quiet a small minority, and was the full limit of compromise to which a majority of the white voters of this community would agree.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That we do vehemently protest against any change in the method of appointment of said Police and Fire Commission (if the same is not made an elective office) other than that provided in the bill as passed, whereby the will of the majority of the voters cannot be expressed through the incoming Board of Aldermen, since the present Board of Aldermen appointed by a committee in a time of turmoil, do not represent a majority of the white voters.

Resolved further, That a copy of these resolutions be sent our Senator, W. J. Davis, and our Representatives, Rountree and Willard, with a request that they urge the passage of the House bill, as passed, without amendment, and if it is necessary to change the number of days, for our Legislature to fix the number, so as to surely have an election by a majority vote.

In addition to the adoption of the resolution it was the sense of the meeting than only those aldermen who were opposed to the reduction of wages, should receive the support of the laboring classes, and that while it was not the policy of the Union to work any hardships on the employers, it was nevertheless its province to protect the interests of the laborers.

The committee appointed to urge the provisions of the resolution onthe Legisture were instructed to report at a special meeting which is called for Friday night March 3rd, in place of the regular meeting Monday night.

It was also decided to make no endorsements of candidates for city officers.

"UNDER THE RED ROBE."

An Especially Strong Attraction at the Opera House Friday Night.

"Under the Red Robe," the greatest dramatic success seen in New York for many years, with its powerful company, magnificent scenery and historically correct costumes, will be the attraction at the Wilmington Opera House on Friday night of this week. The play is said to be as fascinating as the novel, and there is every indication that a large and fashionable audience will witness the performance.

The play begins, as the book does, in Zaton's gaming house, and the scene which, in the book, takes place in the palace of Richelieu, is transferred for dramatic reasons hither. The second act takes place at the Chateau de Cocheforet, where much of the story is vividly told. Then there is the scene at the cross roads, which is just as it is written in the book, indicating wonderful dramatic possibilities. Here the court yard of the inn on the way to Paris is shown. The final act takes place in Richelieu's palace. William Morris, the eminent romantic actor, heads an unusually strong company.

A Primary Called.

It being shown conclusively in an article in the STAR of yesterday that it was to late to call a primary in strict accordance with the charter bill unless the date for holding the city election were extended, the City Democratic Executive Committee met last night to consider the question of calling a primary, and decided to do so. During the session of the Committee the STAR communicated with Representatives Willard by telegraph and he replied that it would probably be best for the Executive Committee to call a primary at once, This information was given to the Committee. The call for the primary, to be held March 13th, appears in this issue of the STAR. The call is framed as nearly as possible in accordance with the charter bill and notice was filed last night with the City Clerk and Treasurer.

Smallpox at Cronly and Brinkley.

Dr. McMillan, Superintendent of Health, told a reporter of the STAR yesterday that several cases of smallpox had been reported in and around Cronly and Brinkley, the places through which Hysner, the man recently discharged from the pest house here, had passed on his way to Wilmington. The fact that there was no contagion occasioned here by the visit of Hysner speaks in no uncertain terms of the vigilance and thoroughness of the work of the city health officers.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. J. J. Bowen, of Goldsboro, is in the city the guest of Mrs. W. J. Croswell.

— Mr. H. L. Struthers, of Chadbourn, was one of the welcome visitors to the city yesterday.

— Mr. B. M. DeWitt, representing a large publishing house, is in the city in the interest of his firm.

— Miss Henri Shepard is spending several days at Scott's Hill the guest of her uncle, Mr. J. T. Foy.

— Miss Harper, daughter of Capt. J. W. Harper, returned last night via the A. and C. from Lynchburg, Va.

— Mr. T. H. Pegram, little Miss Annie Daws and Wiley Whitehead, respectively niece and nephew of Mr. Pegram went up to Ashton last night tospend Sunday.

— Secretary Jno. G. Marshall, of the White Laborer's Union, returned yesterday from Raleigh, where he had been to consult with the representatives with regard to the new city charter.

— Miss Sallie Wilson, of Richmond, who has been in the city since the wedding of Miss Mamie Daniel to Mr. J. W. Blomme, in which she was maid of honor, left last night for her home.

— Mr. R. D. Wescott, returned to the city yesterday from Hot Springs, Ark., where he has for some months been employed as book-keeper in the Park Hotel. He now has a position as travelling salesman with Messrs. Wescott & Stone.

— Capt. and Mrs. Geo. W. Williams, who for the past few mouths have been in the city, left yesterday for Charleston, S. C., where after a short visit they will gather their household things, preparatory to making Wilmington their future home. Captain Williams had charge of loading foreign steamers at the Champion Compress during the past season, and will remain with Mr. James Sprunt.

SERIES OF SUNDAY SERVICES.

At St. Paul's Episcopal Church By Rev. M. A. Barber, Rector.

Rev. M. A. Barber, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, is now delivering a most interesting series of Sunday night sermons. The first was on last Sunday, the subject being "The Communion of Saints." To-night the second series, "The Life After Death," or "The Immortality of the Soul," will be delivered. Next Sunday night the theme will be "The Place of the Departed." The subjects of the three remaining sermons will be: March 12th—"Is the Life Beyond the Grave a Conscious or Unconscious One?" March 19th—"The Mutual Relationship of Souls Living Upon Earth and Departed Souls;" March 26th—"The Relationship of All Souls, Those Living Upon Earth and Those Departed, to God."

Farmers' Mutual Fire Ins. Association.

The Brunswick and Pender branch of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association met in called session at the Court House yesterday afternoon. There was a fair attendance, and several matters of importance were discussed, among them being plans for the liquidation of a judgment recently procured in the case of Malpass vs. the Association for loss sustained by the burning of a building. It was decided to push the collection of delinquent assessments and make other arrangements for lifting the judgment as soon as possible.

The resignation of Mr. B. F. Keith as president of the Association was read and accepted. Mr. J. T. Foy, of Scott's Hill, was elected in his stead.

Mr. C. Ed. Taylor, of Southport, is secretary of the organization, and was present in his official capacity.

Magistrates' Court.

Several cases of minor importance were tried by Justices McGowan and Fowler yesterday. Tony Swain was exonerated and discharged in two cases, one for robbery and the other for assault and battery, the charges being preferred by Capt. Lewis. Besides this one, Justice McGowan docketed a submission; Mary Jane Jordan, for disorderly conduct. Before Justice Fowler, W. H. Hicks, colored, was tried for trespassing on the property of J. W. Wright, also colored. A verdict of not guilty was rendered in the case, but he was subsequently tried for assault, and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. Justice Fowler also heard one other case, a submission for a trival offence and the defendant was released upon payment of costs.

The Jolly Path Finders.

The Rentfrow Company of Jolly Path Finders closed one of the most successful engagements played in Wilmington, by any company this season, yesterday, presenting the sparkling spectacular comedy "Cinderella" to a packed house at the Matinee and "St. Valentine's Day" to quite a large audience at night. Both performances were highly satisfactory and a cordial welcome awaits the Rentfrow Company on their return engagement next season.

The Weekly Police Records.

Only fourteen arrests were made by the Police during the past week, ten of the offenders being colored and four white. The charges entered were: disorderly conduct, 3; throwing stones on the streets, 3; drunk and disorderly conduct, 2; fast driving, 1; carrying concealed weapons, 1; shooting sling shot, 1; non-payment of costs, 1.

QUESTION WILL BE DECIDED MONDAY.

Whether the Charter for Wilmington Will Pass the Senate As It Passed the House or be Amended.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, February 25.—The Senate committee will grant a hearing on the Wilmington city charter Monday afternoon and it will then be decided whether the bill that passed the House and was published in Thursday's STAR will be passed, or whether the section in regard to the police commission will be amended as asked by certain citizens. The change proposed is, that instead of leaving the election of police commission to aldermen elected by the people, the Legislature appoint one of its members, authorize the present Board of Aldermen to appoint one, and the new board to appoint the third. To this proposition Rountree is bitterly opposed. He wants the people to have the selection of their own officers, and says the failure to permit them to do this was the cause of the revolution last November. He declares he will never favor the proposed amendment. Senator Davis also announces himself as in favor of allowing the people to choose their own officers, but he thought it nothing but right to give the other side a hearing. It is considered pretty certain that the charter will go through the Senate without being amended.

The Board of Internal Improvements has elected G. W. Lewis, of Goldsboro, State agent for swamp lands.

The Omnibus bill, for all counties wanting additional justices of the peace, has been prepared. Its consideration in the House is the special order for Monday at one o'clock.

Will Adjourn March 6th.

It is believed that the Legislature will finish work in another week and adjourn Monday, March sixth.

The Senate Committee on Railroads has decided against the bill authorizing sale of the A. & N. C. road.

The Printing Committee received bids this afternoon. Bids ranged as follows: 1 (highest), Edwards and Broughton; 2, Nash Brothers, Goldsboro; 3, E. M. Uzzell; 4, Barnes Brothers, Populists and present public printers. contract not yet awarded.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

"Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of Decision" will be the special subject for the unsaved at the First Baptist Church to-night.

St. Thomas' Church: First mass and holy communion, 7 A. M.; high mass and sermon, 10.30 A. M.; vespers, sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Services in St. John's Church to-day, second Sunday in Lent, by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Holy communion, 7:45 A. M.; morning prayer, litany and sermon 11 o'clock; evening prayer, 5 o'clock. Sunday School 4 P. M.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street, above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service at 7.30; Sunday school 9.30 A. M. All seats free, and every person welcome.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, A. G. Voigt, D. D., pastor. German services at 11 A. M. English services and installation of church council at 7.30 P. M.; Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Wednesday evening service in English at 7.30 o'clock.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—3 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 4 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—97 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 27 barrels rosin, 97 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—5 casks spirits turpentine, 8 barrels rosin, 17 barrels tar.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—10 barrels rosin.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—8 barrels tar.

L. James' Flat—3 casks spirits turpentine, 20 barrels rosin, 4 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 100 bales; spirits turpentine, 12 casks; rosin, 65 barrels; tar, 130 barrels.

Will Buy City Hospital Supplies.

It is now settled that the Ladies' Hospital Guild will devote the funds they have in hand, originally intended for the establishment of a woman's ward at the City Hospital, to the buying of much-needed supplies, surgical instruments, etc., for that institution. The meeting at which the decision was reached was held Thursday afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. parlors, and the announcement made yesterday through the Guild's secretary, Mrs. Dudley Burkhimer, who reports that they now have in hand $250, to be devoted to this purpose. The announcement is also made that in future the Guild will work for the City Hospital in whatever way they may be needed.

Fayetteville Railroad Clerks.

The Fayetteville *Observer*, of Friday, in speaking of positions being accepted by former C. F. & Y. V. railroad employes, has the following items:

Mr. Tom Moore has two positions offered him, one in the A. C. L.'s purchasing agent's office at Wilmington or the position of A. C. L. division storekeeper at Florence.

Mr. W. G. Moore will go to Wilmington next week to accept a position in the office of Mr. Symington, superintendent of motive power of the A. C. L.

FLAGS VS. SMALLPOX.

At Whiteville, Columbus county, N. C., where there is a supposed case of smallpox, three or four flags are on the gate—a red, a black, a yellow, and above them all "Old Glory" waves supreme. ANONYMOUS.

THE REVENUE BILL.

Substitute Resolution for Sections Taxing Gross Earnings of Railroads.

TAX ON GROSS INCOMES.

Close Vote on the Resolution to Strike Out the Proposition—Bill Passed the House to Provide for Election of County Commissioners.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., February 25.—The House to-day completed consideration of the Revenue bill by passing sections levying a tax (from ¼ to 1 per cent.) on gross earnings on railroads. The bill passed second reading Monday, and it will come up on third reading. When it does, Overman, of Rowan, will propose the following resolution as a substitute for sections taxing gross earnings, and ask its incorporation as part of the revenue act.

"WHEREAS, It is claimed and generally believed that the railway property of the State is not bearing an equal proportion of taxation; and, whereas, all property of the State should bear a full share of the burdens of government.

"*Resolved*, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the Railway Commission, or any body succeeding to its power, be and are hereby directed to as soon as practicable revise the assessment for taxation of the entire railway property in the State, taking into consideration in making said revised assessment, earnings and gross income, as well as the franchise of said railways.

"*Resolved*, That this resolution be enforced from and after ratification."

The vote on the proposition to strike out the tax on gross incomes was very close—49 to 53. Willard has been a leader in the fight for the tax, and Rountree has vigorously opposed it.

The House met this afternoon for three hours and held no night session. Bills were introduced: To provide effectual method of posting land. To amend the Code in regard to making up cases on appeal. To provide a way for amending charters before clerks and the Secretary of State. To change the time of holding courts of the Tenth and Twelfth districts. To appropriate $10,000 for maintenance of the Soldiers' Home.

Bills passed: To change the Spring terms of court in Craven, Pasquotank, Bertie and Robeson. To incorporate the Cape Fear Sewer Co. To provide for the care and treatment of the Croatan Indians' insane asylum at Raleigh. To make Labor Day a holiday. To incorporate the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of North Carolina. To protect sub-contractors and laborers. To allow the commander of the Naval Reserves to appoint a staff. To ratify the charter of the Linville Railway Company. To protect and propagate pheasants in North Carolina. To protect picking deer-tongue and huckleberries on lands of another in Pender county. To incorporate the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh. To allow the use of Dutch nets on the Pamlico side of Neuse river. To incorporate Davidson Mineral Railway Company. To establish dispensaries at Warrenton and Selma. To provide for election of commissioners by magistrates in Bertie, Granville, Caswell, Yancey, Warren, Washington, Pasquotank, Montgomery, Perquimans, New Hanover, Craven, Edgecombe and Vance. To incorporate the Wilmington Underwriters' Insurance Company. To incorporate the North Carolina Bar Association. To allow construction of dams on the upper Cape Fear. To compromise and settle the State debt. To incorporate the North Carolina Electrical Power Company, at Charlotte. To change the time for local option elections from June to August.

In the Senate.

The Senate passed a number of bills. Among these were: To incorporate the Burlington and Southern Railway Company, To authorize the issue of school bonds for Raleigh township. To increase the number of commissioners of Mecklenburg to five.

Bill to revise and consolidate the Public School law came up as the special order and seventy-nine sections of it were considered in committee of the whole. Consideration of it will be resumed Tuesday.

Senator Glenn, who was in the chair, spoke of the uniform courtesy and ability of Lieut. Gov. Reynolds, and said that he thought some suitable token of the Senate's appreciation of the Speaker's services should be given. Upon motion, Senators Smith, Hairston and Fields were appointed a committee to decide upon what should be the best evidence of the wishes of the Senate in this matter.

Hearing of Testimony Postponed.

The taking of testimony in the contested Congressional election case, which was set for yesterday morning at 9 o'clock before George H. Howell and T. E. Wallace' Notaries Public, in the U. S. Court room, was postponed by mutual consent of the attorneys on both sides until 2.30 in the afternoon and was subsequently postponed a second time until to-morrow morning at 9.30 o'clock. Mr. Beliamy has for his counsel in the case Col. T. W. Strange and Messrs. Junius Davis, Geo. L. Peschau, W. B. McKoy and Franklin McNeill. Dockery is represented, as has been stated, by Oscar. J. Spears.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

WILL GO TO CHARLOTTE.

Mr. J. A. Fore Resigns as Secretary and Treasurer of Fore and Foster Co.

A host of friends and business associates of Mr. J. A. Fore, of the Fore and Foster Company, will regret very much to learn that he has decided to leave Wilmington, having bought an interest in the Carolina Manufacturing Company, extensive manufacturers of sash, doors, blinds, ets., in Charlotte where he will locate.

The Fore & Foster Company has been in operation about twelve years and is counted among the city's most flourishing business institutions. Mr. Fore has resigned as secretary and treasurer of the company. He has during his residence here always manifested great interest in the city's commercial welfare and was always ready to give freely both time and means for her best interests. The people here part with Mr. Fore with great reluctance. His family will remain here for the present.

The Schooner William T. Parker.

The schooner *William T. Parker*, which was towed into Southport yesterday with fire in her hold was towed into this port yesterday by the tug *Alexandea Jones* and a survey was held. The board recommended that the vessel be discharged for further examination.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

For Sale.

OR WILL LEASE FOR A TERM of years, the Hotel at Carolina Beach. Special inducements to a party willing to invest a few hundred dollars on the property. Apply to D. O'CONNOR, Real Estate Agent.
fe 26 tf

To the Public.

I desire to give notice that I shall be a candidate for re-election to the office of City Attorney at the approaching Primaries in this city.
fe 26 1t THOS W. STRANGE.

Chief of Police.

Those of my friends who wish to have me elected Chief of Police can be accommodated; provided they will rally to my support and make my election unanimous. This day I announce myself a candidate for the position. Promising to be as I always have been.
fe 23 3.* W. P. OLDHAM.

For Mayor.

I see that candidates are announcing themselves for the different offices within the gift of the voters of this city, but as yet no one has announced himself a candidate for Mayor. As far as I am concerned, Mr Editor, I do not think any one should do so. I think that the position should be offered to our present Mayor. If the 10th of November 1898 is not too far in the past. We all can remember that at that time when we were in want of a leader Col. Alfred M. Waddell came forward and accepted that position, and now that we are going to reap the fruit from that work we think that the mayoralty of the city for the next two years at least should be offered to him by the citizens, irrespective of our preferences or our favorites. CITIZEN.
fe 26 1t*

OPERA HOUSE.

Friday Evening, March 3rd.

UNER THE RED ROBE!

From the Novel by Stanley Weyman. Dramatized by Edward Rose, adapter of "THE PRISONER OF ZENDA," with a powerful cast including

MR. WILLIAM MORRIS.

Management of JULIUS CAHN.
Mounted Elaborately with all of the Original Scenery and Effects. su we fr fe 26 3t

For Sale.

One Soda Water Fountain.

Tuft's make, Boston, Mass., known as "Magnolia."
Original cost, ... $1.300
Five charges, copper, original cost $40 each 200
Total cost $1.500

Will sell the entire outfit at a sacrifice! Rare Bargain. All in Good Order.

SAMUEL BEAR, Sr.,
fe 5 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Tobacco and Cigars

115 Boxes Damaged Tobacco.
100 Caddys Schnapps.
50 Caddys Red Meat.
85 Boxes Big 4.
110 Caddys Rock Bottom.
35 Boxes Mahogany.
40 Boxes Honest Bill.
68 Caddys A Go.
140 Boxes Old Va. Cheroots.
100 Boxes Cigars.

Prices and terms cheerfully given.

W. B. COOPER,
Wholesale Grocer,
fe 26 tf Wilmington, N. C

Notice of City Primary.

Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held on Monday, 13th day of March, 1899 from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M. at the places herein designated for the Democratic party to be voted for at the ensuing Election, March 23d, for two Aldermen from each of the respective Wards of the city and for Candidates for Mayor, Clerk and Treasurer, Chief of Police, City Attorney, and a City Executive Committee of two members from each Ward. In case a second Primary shall be found necessary the said second Primary shall be held, as herein provided for the first Primary, on Wednesday, March 15th, 1899.

Polling Places.

First Ward—Hose Real House No. 10 (Boney bridge.
Second Ward—Old Court House.
Third Ward—Giblem Lodge.
Fourth Ward—Oldham's Store, Dock between Front and Water Streets.
Fifth Ward—Hook and Ladder House on Castle street.

Inspectors of Election.

First Ward—W. A. Wright, I. West, F. T. Skiper.
Second Ward—June Love, W. H. Styron, A. J. Hill.
Third Ward—C. D. Jacobs, E. W. Hewlett, W. L. Jacobs.
Fourth Ward—W. H. Lane, T. G. Pickett, J. B. Lipplitt.
Fifth Ward—R. H. McKoy, H. L. Hewett, W. F. F. Newton.

Rules Governing Election.

All white men, who are qualified Electors and who will pledge themselves to support the Democratic nominees in the coming City Election shall be entitled to vote in said Primaries.

Report of Primary Election to be made to the present City Democratic Executive Committee in writing at the City Hall together with ballots and poll lists and names of persons challenged and causes of challenged votes, whether received or rejected to or examined by said committee. Returns to be made as soon as possible after close of polls and not later than 6 o'clock A. M., March 14th, 1899.

Signed, by order Committee.
THOS. W. STRANGE,
Chairman City Democratic Executive Committee.
W. A. WRIGHT, Secretary.
This February 23th, 1899, A. D. fe 24 3t

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

JOHNSON'S

Great Sale Continues.

Entire Stock

Don't Miss This Chance for Splendid Bargains.

No. 111 Market Street.
fe 26 tf

Vollers & Hashagen.

PROVISIONS.

"Q" BRAND FLOUR

Has an immense sale. Try it and increase your business.

The sale of Cigars increases, and we still offer

Cuban Blossoms, Renown, Topical Twist.

If your trade languishes try any above brands and you will regain it.

Dealers in

HOG PRODUCTS, Canned Meats, Lard, &c.

fe 19 tf Nutt street, A. C. L. Crossing.

Heavy and Fancy Groceries.

We have just received a large and select stock, which we offer to the trade at close figures: Flour, Salt, Molasses, Coffee, Tobacco, Snuff, Bacon, Lard, Soaps, Meal, Rice, Bagging, Ties, Nails, Oysters, Peaches, Cakes, Cheese, Corn Beef, Baking Powders, Teas, Cheroots, Cigarettes, Tomatoes, etc. In fact,

Everything kept in a First-class Grocery Store.

WRITE FOR QUOTATIONS.

WILLIAMS BROS.,

Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants.

fe 18 tf

At Night!

You can't get a Doctor every time you want him, and some times you can't get in a Drug Store. So save yourselves all this bother and worry and purchase to-day a bottle of

Pyxis Croup Remedy, 35 cts.

Most drug stores keep it.

James D. Nutt, Proprietor.
de 17 tf

TWO DAYS ONLY at THE UNLUCKY CORNER.

3 cans 3-pound Bartlet Pears
1 package Crown (Corn) Flake For 40c

Raisins, Prunes, Dried Figs, Evaporated Peaches, Cocoanuts.

Springfield Hams are the best.

S. W. SANDERS.
fe 25 tf

For Chief of Police.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Chief of Police, and ask the support of the Democratic voters at the coming primaries.

Respectfully,
fe 24 2t fr su R. B. CLOWE

For City Clerk and Treasurer.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of City Clerk and Treasurer, and ask the support of my friends at the approaching Democratic primaries.

Respectfully,
fe 25 3t B. F. KING

For Chief of Police.

At the request of many Democrats, I hereby announce myself a candidate for Chief of Police, subject to the approval of the Democratic primary. JOHN BARRY.
fe 23 3t

For Clerk and Treasurer.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Clerk and Treasurer and Tax Collector for the City of Wilmington, and respectfully solicit the support of the people at the Democratic primaries.
fe 25 2t JOSH. T. JAMES.

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, $5.00 year, $2.50 for six months, $1.25 for three months, 50 cents for one month to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 45 cents per month for any period from one month to one year.

ADVERTISING RATES (DAILY)—One square one day, $1.00; two days, $1.75; three days, $2.50; four days, $3.00; five days, $3.50; one week, $4.00; two weeks, $6.50; three weeks, $8.50; one month, $10.00; two months, $17.00; three months, $24.00; six months, $40.00; twelve month, $60.00. Ten lines of solid Nonpariel type make one square.

THE WEEKLY STAR is published every Friday morning at $1.00 per year, 60 cents for six months, 30 cents for three months.

All announcements of Fairs, Festivals, Balls, Hops Picnics, Society Meetings, Political meetings, &c., will be charged regular advertising rates.

Advertisements discontinued before the time contracted for has expired, charged transient rates for time actually published.

No advertisements inserted in Local Columns at any price.

All announcements and recommendations of candidates for office, whether in the shape of communications or otherwise, will be charged as advertisements.

Payments for transient advertisements must be made in advance. Known parties, or strangers with proper reference, may pay monthly or quarterly, according to contract.

Remittances must be made by Check, Draft, Postal Money Order, Express or in Registered Letter. Only such remittances will be at the risk of the publisher.

Communications, unless they contain important news or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and, if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected if the real name of the author is withheld.

Notices of Marriage or Death, Tributes of Respect, Resolutions of Thanks, &c., are charged for as ordinary advertisements, but only half rates when paid for strictly in advance. At this rate 50 cents will pay for a simple announcement of Marriage or Death.

Advertisements inserted once a week in Daily will be charged $1.00 per square for each insertion. Every other day, three-fourths of daily rate. Twice a week, two-thirds of daily rate.

Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge at transient rates.

Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent. extra.

Advertisements to follow reading matter, or to occupy any special place, will be charged extra according to the position desired.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 26.

ON A NEW FIELD.

Secretary Alger attended a banquet in Detroit, Mich., on the 22d inst., a banquet by the Michigan Republican Club. He presided as toastmaster and in the course of his speech on assuming that function said:

"I has been a difficult year. We are landed on a new field. The Stars and Stripes are planted in a place where they have never been before on Washington's birthday. They have never been taken down from where they had been planted but once before, and they never will be again."

This is a remarkable utterance coming at a time when Mr. McKinley and other expansionists disclaim the idea of subjugation, and imperialism, and it is significant as coming from a man who holds the position of Secretary of War, and is supposed to have a good deal to do with the shaping of war policies, and presumptively pretty close to the President. There is no qualification in this utterance, for it emphatically declares that the flag is up where it never was before on Washington's birthday and as emphatically declares that it will never come down. There is a decided conflict between this utterance and the utterances of President McKinley in his Boston speech, for in that speech he repudiated the idea of "imperialism" as never contemplated by him or those who are acting in concert with him, declared that he had formulated no positive policy as to the future of the Philippines, and that with the ratification of the peace treaty it would remain for the Congress of the United States and the people to determine what the course pursued in reference to them shall be. He came so near saying for himself and those for whom he spoke that the course being pursued in Cuba is the course to be pursued in the Philippines that he might just as well have said so, for the whole drift of his speech was to make the impression that forcible territorial expansion was not the aim of his administration, and that we were simply forced into the position we now occupy by a combination of unforeseen circumstances, and had to take temporary possession of those islands out of regard for the people whose guardians destiny had made us, to prevent greater evils which might otherwise fall to their lot.

That speech was a very mild, conservative, and comparatively unobjectionable one, although it was not strictly accurate as to statements of fact. There were no references to the flag that had been raised, no queries as to "who would haul it down?"

The contrast is so striking between this speech and the speech of Mr. McKinley's Secretary of war, that the question might be asked, which speaks for his party? for this Philippine question has now become through the action of the Republican majority in Congress, and the Republican press, a party question. Mr. Alger does not ask "who would haul it down?" as Mr. McKinley did in his speeches, delivered on his Southern tour, for he declares that it will never come down, and this is an unqualified utterance dependent in no way on what the Filipinos may or may not do. If they recognize the authority of this country the flag would remain up with their assent, and if not they are to be whipped in and the flag will wave over them as a subjugated people, to be governed as a subjugated people in the manner that we see fit to govern them. That's what Mr. Alger substantially says, and that means government by the bayonet, or imperialism, the thing which Mr. McKinley repudiated.

The significant thing in this utterance is that it is made by the Secretary of War, and being in such striking contrast to the recent utterances of the President it might be asked what confidence can be placed in the declarations of men representing the administration and its purpose when they differ so much amongst themselves, and so glaringly contradicted with each other? If Mr. McKinley spoke honestly for himself and his party then our possession of the Philippines is to last only so long as it may be necessary to teach our yellow wards the art of self-government, when we will turn the government over to them, as it is the intention to do with the Cubans. This is the inference from what Mr. McKinley said in that Boston speech, but this is not what Mr. Alger says. He tells us that the flag has gone up, and where it goes up it never comes down.

This is the bold language of the unscrupulous land-grabber, who would trample under foot the people whom we started out to befriend and taught to look to us for friendship. It does not cover motives under the thin pretence of befriending these people, nor with the plea of "destiny," but arrogant with power and inflated with success, proclaims the intention to unconditionally and forever hold what the unforeseen has put in our possession. In other words, we have the power to hold, and will hold, regardless of justice or right, and this will become a plundering nation which under the inspiration of greed of gain and territorial aggrandizement, smothers conscience and ignores honor, and plunders weak people who influenced by our promises and trusting to our honor, have confided their fate to our keeping.

If only the Filipinos were concerned in this as the victims of the soulless plunder, and if it were only they and the millions of dollars that must be spent in carrying out this policy of rapine it would be bad enough, but it will take American lives, will make hundreds, perhaps thousands, of brave men the victims of battle, and disease worse than death in battle, before this infernal policy can be enforced, and all this not to defend the honor of the flag, our country's good name or prestige, for these are not considered, but to seize what does not belong to us, to what we have no claim, the parting with which will do us honor and the holding of which will cover us with eternal infamy.

But what care unscrupulous landpirates like Alger for the country's honor, or the infamy their brutal policy would entail?

NO SMALL JOB.

Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, is a Republican and a supporter of the administration, but he is beginning to realize, if he has not realized it before, that with the policy of expansion and enforced sovereignty over the Philippines the gentlemen who favor this have undertaken no small job. In his speech on the army reorganization bill, Friday, he said we would need an army of 50,000 men to control the Filipinos, and that we were likely yet to have serious trouble in Cuba. Couple this with the determination the Filipinos have already shown in disputing our authority, the audacity with which they offer fight and the pluck they show in battle, and with the late dispatches from Admiral Dewey urging the prompt dispatch of the Oregon to the scene, and it may be seen that Senator Sewell had pretty good foundation for his statement as to the Philippines, while the frequent entanglements between the Cubans and our military representatives show that matters in that island are very far from being in a satisfactory condition, and might easily culminate in open conflict.

If it were the intention to carry out in good faith our professed programme in Cuba, we might lessen the chances of rupture by hurrying up matters, turning over the Government to the Cubans, and withdrawing our forces, but American schemers have their eyes upon too many valuable concessions and properties there, and they will insist on retaining our grip until their schemes are accomplished.

But we are into the mess in the Philippines, and every day notwithstanding the reported victories of our soldiers puts us deeper in. Even if there be no complications with other nations we have a very troublesome job in whipping into submission a people as plucky and as numerous as the Filipinos are, who are fighting upon their own ground and for liberty, are climate proof and immune to the diseases that are more to be dreaded by our soldiers than the bullets of the enemy. They cannot be starved into submission for they can in their fertile valleys find abundant subsistence for an indefinite period.

The fact that Senator Sewell made the statement he did in the Senate shows that they are beginning to realize the size of the job we have on hand, and also justifies the opinion that if their foresight was as good as their hindsight they might have adopted a somewhat different course as to the Philippines.

That young New York man who gave a waiter in a Chicago restaurant a $500 bill to pay for a $30 lunch, which waiter skipped with the bill, has recovered judgment against the proprietor of the restaurant, the court holding that a restaurant proprietor is responsible for his waiters who become runners.

PROPOSING TO BUY IT.

There is a bill before the Legislature to authorizing the sale of the State's interest in the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad, for which a syndicate composed of moneyed men of this State offer the sum of $300,000. In the event of purchase the syndicate obligates itself to duly protect the rights and interests of private stockholders, and to extend the road one hundred miles from Goldsboro through certain counties and thence in the direction of Concord, Salisbury or Charlotte within a period of four years.

Whether the State's interest in the road is worth more than $300,000, as an investment, or not we do not know, but the less the State has to do with works of this kind after they are completed the better, for they are always more or less controlled by political influences and used as political machines, for which reasons it is desirable that when the State gets a reasonable quid pro quo its proprietorship connection with such enterprises should be dissolved.

Without discussing the merits of this proposition, concerning which we are not sufficiently informed, the most attractive feature in it is the offer to extend the road westward through the counties of Wayne, Johnston, Harnett, Moore and Montgomery, which would make a pretty straight line and open up for development a very rich and attractive section of the State, which is now seriously handicapped from need of sufficient railway facilities. Such a road has been talked about for some time and charters have been applied for, but there was always more or less opposition because it was thought that it would seriously affect the North Carolina Railroad, of which it would become a competitor and thus affect its leasing value. But as that road has apparently passed from the hands of the State for the next hundred years perhaps this consideration may not have so much weight in the way of blocking charters to prospective competitors.

NORTH CAROLINA RAILROADS.

We clip from the Raleigh *News and Observer* the following in reference to the mileage of North Carolina railroads, and operating expenses, assessed valuation, etc., including telegraph and steamboat companies, as prepared by the Secretary of the Railway Commission:

ASSESSED VALUATION.

1898.

Atlantic Coast Line System—788.87 miles at $12,397	$9,779,875.80
Southern Railway—1,005 20 miles at $10,520	10,565,729.20
Seaboard Air Line—605.62 miles at $9 995	6,053,667.15
Miscellaneous Roads—1,078 30 miles at $5,287	5,700,659 75
Pullman Palace Car Co	96,918.15
Mercantile Trust and Deposit Co	326,071.94
Total	$32 522 921 19
Telegraph Companies	$803 510 00
Steamboat Companies	293.437 00
Total valuation	$33,619,868.19

RAILROAD PROPERTY.

1898.

Total mileage in North Carolina—3,477 99.	
Cost of roads	$87,974,113 00
Cost of roads per mile	25 294 00
Capital stock	60,429 577 00
Capital stock per mile	17,374 00
Funded debt	55,266,938 00
Funded debt per mile	15.890 00
Gross earnings	11,543,516 00
Operating expenses	7,396,548.00
Gross earnings per mile	3,319.00
Operating expenses per mile	2,126 00
Assessed valuation	32,522,921.00
Assessed valuation per mile	9,351.00
Taxes paid 1898, State, county, schools and towns by the railroads	300,000.00
Net earnings from operations	$4,147,963.00
Net earnings from other sources	122,876.00
Total net earnings	4,270,839.00
Less taxes paid	300,000.00
Net earnings, after payment of taxes, from which to pay interest on funded debt and dividends	$3,970,839.00

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The frost killed all the orange trees in South Louisiana, and inflicted immense damage upon the owners of the orchards. Orange raising is a very uncertain business in this latitude despite the numerous "sure" methods adopted by cultivators to protect their trees.—*Mobile Register, Dem,*

——It appears, from the evidence so far developed, that it was no filibustering American individual who sent arms to the Filipinos in the hope of taking profits on their sale, but the United States Government itself. The government started the arms to the natives when they were regarded as allies against the Spaniards, and then found it necessary to seize them when it became necessary.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— Aguinaldo's manifesto is truly pathetic. So far as he himself is concerned he may be an adventurer playing upon the feelings of his people, but there can be no doubt that that the insurgents whom he is leading have been convinced, and they have reasons to think so, that the result of the war with Spain means to them simply a change of masters, and they are resisting what they believe to by American oppression in the same spirit that they resisted Spanish oppression.—*Manchester (Va.) Leader, Dem.*

— First Wretch—"How's your wife, old man?" Second Wretch—"Splendid! Got a bad cold; she can't speak above a whisper."

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WHEN SHIPS PUT OUT TO SEA.

It's "Sweet, Good-by" when pennants fly,
And ships put out to sea;
It's a loving kiss and a tear or two,
And an eye of brown or an eye of blue—
And you'll remember me,
Sweetheart,
And you'll remember me.

It's "Friend or foe!" when signals blow
And ships sight ships at sea;
It's clear for action and man the guns
As the battle near or the battle runs—
And you'll remember me,
Sweetheart,
And you'll remember me.

It's deck to deck and wrath to wreck
When ships meet ships at sea;
It's scream of shot and shriek of shell,
And hull and turret a roaring hell—
And you'll remember me,
Sweetheart,
And you'll remember me.

It's doom and death and pause a breath,
When ships go down at sea;
It's hate is over and love begins,
And war is cruel whoever wins—
And you'll remember me,
Sweetheart,
And you'll remember me.

—*Truth.*

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— To get the most out of life you must put something into it.

— It is no use to bury your own grudges if you mean to dig them up again.

— Stop singing, "I'm standing on the promises", if you are not willing to trust God for your daily bread.

— When a church is conspicuous for its Christian brotherliness it will draw outsiders as a magnet attracts needles.

—Prudence is self surrender to the strongest impulse; duty is self-surrender to the highest.—James Martineau.

— The preacher who tries to be a comedian in the pulpit should not complain it his people want to go to the theater.

— Man tries to cure by reformation. Christianity cures by re-creation. "If any man be in Christ he is a new creation."

— Work is the grand cure for all the maladies and miseries that ever beset mankind—honest work which you intend getting done.—*Carlyle.*

— The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well; and doing well whatever you do, without a thought of fame.—*Longfellow.*

— Good hearts can no be so solicitous for anything under heaven as for removing those impediments which lie between them and their Savior.—*Bishop Hall.*

— To circulate an injurious story which you do not know to be true is nearly as bad as to aid in giving currency to one which you know to be not true.—*Nashville Christian Advocate.*

— Christ's earthly crown was of thorns but He wore it that we might wear the crown of eternal life; and in the wearing He transformed it into a crown of immortal glory whose lustre shall never be dimmed.

— My experience of life makes me sure of one thing which I do not try to explain—that the sweetest happiness we ever know comes not from love but from sacrifice—from the efforts to make others happy.—*O'Reiley.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Fair Bluff *Times*;—We understand that during the recent snow storm many hogs and cattle perished in the Pee Dee islands. We heard of one man who lost twenty five head of cattle and a number of hogs.

— Monroe *Journal*: There were enough rabbits killed in this country during the snow to feed any army. The news of great slaughters of them comes from all over the country. A party near Atlanta killed a 104 in two days, without guns or dogs. And a party near Mr. Fred Hay's killed 118 in one day.

— Smithfield *Herald:* Wednesday morning Mrs. G. H. Watson met with a serious accident which came nigh being fatal. She suffers from rheumatism, and was bathing her lower limbs with gasoline before an open fire when the liquid became ignited Before help could arrive she she was painfully burned. The fire destroyed the carpet and spread to the ceiling before it could be extinguished.

—Greensboro *Record;*—Lawrance Pullman, ex-cashier of the National Bank of Asheville, who gave himself up to the sheriff at San Francisco, Cal., in January arrived in Greensboro Thursday afternoon in charge of a United States marshal from California. He was turned over to Marshal Milikin. Pulliam left Asheville five years ago last December, with his account short. It is said that he left the bank for the Express office with $5,000, but failed to ship the money or return. He was not heard from until he surrendered. It is said that Pulliam spent all of the $5,000 and did not have money enough to come home on. This is thought to be the reason he surrendered.

— Monroe *Enquirer:* Mr. B. G. Reeder, who farms on Mr. W. R. Marsh's place south of town, made last year 9641 pounds of lint cotton on nineteen acres of land. Nineteen bales of cotton, weighing 507 pounds each, from nineteen acres is certainly good farming. Mr. Reeder made his own fertilizers from chemicals and thereby reduced expenses greatly. The kind of cotton grown was King's Improved. —— Frequently we see wagon loads of baled hay passing along the streets. Formerly we regretted to see a farm wagon loaded with baled hay for it meant that money was being sent out of the country which should have been kept at home, but all that is changed now and the hay wagons have their tongues pointed towards town.

—"I am astonished," said the scoffer, "to hear you compare our glorious country to a small boy getting his face washed." "Me," said the oratorciol patriot. "How? When?" "When you said it was impossible for the nation to stand still."—*Indianapolis Journaal.*

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by "New Great South American Kidney Cure." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retension of water almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist, Wilmington, N. C., corner Front and Market streets. †

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WALKING OR GOLF CAPE FROM HARPER'S BAZAR

A VERY jaunty and serviceable cape, which will prove equally adaptable for golf-links or city street use during the darker days of Spring, is that shown on this page, and of which a cut paper pattern is issued with the current number of HARPER'S BAZAR, where the cloak appears. This exclusive design is cut in the latest form of out-door cape. The material employed is a double-faced Scotch wool cloth. This fabric is self-trimming, in that the bright hues of the plaids of one side are always thrown into relief by the soft tone of the plain sides. The colors in the garment from which the design is taken are brilliant plain blue, with reverse side of red, yellow, pale blue, and white in the plaid. The plain side of the material is used for the body of the cape, the circular ruffle being of the plaid. The inside of the hood again employs the plaid side of the cloth, and is trimmed with a flat band of the smooth cloth stitched on both sides. The storm-collar fits rather closely about the head, and is shaped so as to be a real protection against the cold. The fringe which borders the plain material is bought separately and combines all the shades employed in the plaid. Where the cape is made of a shawl pattern, the fringe which belongs to the shawl will prove a sufficient trimming for the cape.

To make this cape for a person of medium size will require 2½ yards of material 54 inches wide.

Gail Borden
Eagle Brand
Condensed Milk
HAS NO EQUAL AS AN INFANT FOOD.
"INFANT HEALTH" SENT FREE ON APPLICATION.
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TWINKLINGS.

— "Would you say 'honest politics is,' or 'are?'" "'Is,' of course. Honest politcs is always singular."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— "There goes young Dolley, riding a horse that can't see," remarked Gazzam. "It isn't the first time that he has straddled the blind," replied Maddox.—*Harlem Life.*

— "Can you move your forces rapidly?" "Well," answered the Filipino candidly, "it sometimes depends on whether we are getting ready for an attack or a retreat."—*Washington Star.*

— Fugleman—"Well, Senator, I see by the vote this morning you are Holding your own." Eminent Statesman (up for re election)—"M—yes, but it's costing me like sin to hold 'em."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "Well, it can't get much colder than this," said Henly, cheerfully. "If it does," groaned the disconsolate one, we'll all be too cold to feel it any more."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— Trivet—"There seems to be a great deal of prejudice against Aguinaldo on account of his gold collar." Dicer—"Yes, the prejudice could scarcely be greater if he wore celluloid."—*Detroit Free Press.*

—Husband—"Oh! there's that confounded rheumatism again!" "Wife—I'm so sorry. I wanted to go shopping to-morrow, and your rheumatism is always a sign of rain. Isn't it provoking ?"—Tit Bits.

—She—"When we are married won't you give up your clubs, dear?" He—"I've practically done that already, darling. Since we've been engaged I've been suspended from all of them."—Puck.

On the Subject of Aprons.

"It is such a pretty apron," said the young housekeeper to a New York Times representative, "and so easy to make. You don't know how matronly I feel in it. I made two or three in an hour the other day. It is made from print or gingham or any inexpensive material that is serviceable. You tear off two lengths of the material, measuring from a little above your shoulders to the edge of your dress skirt, allowing for a hem. Then tear one breadth in two lengthwise and stitch the two halves one on either side of your full breadth up to within about seven inches of the top.

"The openings that are left are for armholes, and to finish the apron all that is necessary is to measure a straight piece of cloth around the shoulders and gather the material into it and button it with one button at the back. You leave a space of five inches where the opening comes at the top to go over the shoulder and give room for the arm.

"Isn't that easy? You have to hem it around the lower edges, and unless you have left the selvage sides out at the back it must have a hem there. But as it is all straight work it is so easy to slip over a good gown to go into the kitchen, and it doesn't make any difference how many ruffles you have underneath."

The production of olive oil in Cephalonia is very considerable, a good crop yielding 25,000 to 30,000 barrels, or 480,000 English gallons. But more than three-fourths goes into local consumption, and only one-fourth is exported, almost exclusively to Russia.

The four King Georges of England all died on the same day of the week.

For Over Fifty Years.

MRS. WINSLOW' SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other. †

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	12½
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½@	@	6½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½@	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 20
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	20	@	23
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	49	@	50
Virginia Meal		@	50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½@	@	11½
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	8	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	11	@	12
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	20 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18.00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight	3 75	@	4 00
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔		@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	@	55
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	60	@	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾@	@	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	5	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 35
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	18 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	18 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	11 00
Rump		@	10 50
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5½@	@	5¾
Standard A	5	@	5¼
White Extra C	5	@	5¼
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½@	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W O, barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R O, Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Palmetto		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill		@	5 00
Inferior to ordinary	4 50	@	5 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed	3 00	@	4 00
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	5 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@	5 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market steady at 44 cts per gallon for machine-made casks and 43¾ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 90 cents per bbl for strained and 95 cents for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Nothing doing.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 33¼@33c; rosin, firm, $1.20, $1.25; tar steady, 95 cts; crude turpentine, nothing doing.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	12
Rosin	65
Tar	130
Crude turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year.—24 casks spirits turpentine, 325 bbls rosin, 163 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6 cts per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 9-16 cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 15-16 " "
Low Middling	5 9-16 " "
Middling	6 " "
Good Middling	6 5-16 " "

Same day last year middling 5¼c.

Receipts—100 bales; same day last year, 304.

COUNTRY PRODUCE

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 55 to 60c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Virginia—Extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80@90c.

CORN—Firm; 42½ to 47½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide water) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six-inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to 9.50 per M

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 25.—Money on call was steady at 2@2½ per cent., last loan being at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@3½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼@486¾ for demand and 484¼@484½ for sixty days. Posted rates 484½@485 and 486½@487. Commercial bills 483@483½. Silver certificates nominal at 59¼@60¾. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds firmer. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds weak. U. S. 3's, 106¼; U. S. new 4's, registered, 127¾@128¾; do. coupon, 128@128½; U. S. 4's 112¾@112¼; do. coupon, 112¾@113¼; do. 2's 99; U. S. 5's, registered, 111¾@112¾; do. 5's, coupon, 111¾@112½; N. C. 6's 130; do. 4's, 104; Southern Railway 5's 105¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 73; Chesapeake & Ohio 28½; Manhattan L 112; N. Y. Central 137; Reading 22½; do. 1st preferred 63¾; St. Paul 129⅞; do. preferred 168¾; Southern Railway 12⅞; do. preferred 49¾; American Tobacco 187¼; do. preferred 142; People's Gas 114½; Sugar 139; do. preferred 114¼; T. C. & Iron 45½; U. S. Leather 6¾; do. preferred 71; Western Union 94½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 25.—Rosin—no report. Spirits turpentine steady at 46@46¼c.

CHARLESTON, February 25.—Spirits turpentine firm at 43½; no sales. Rosin steady and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, February 25—Spirits turpentine firm at 43¼c; sales 24 casks; Rosin firm at the advance; sales 612 barrels; receipts 2,294 barrels; quoted: A, B, C, D, E, F $1 00, G $1 05, H $1 20, I $1 35, K $1 50, M $1 65, N $1 85, window glass $2 15, water white $2 55.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The cotton market opened barely steady with prices one point lower to three higher and after a brief period of irregularity became steadier on covering by local shorts to even up in anticipation of a quiet Sunday. Outside orders were very scarce and too scattering to figure one way or the other. Near the end of the session shorts took a sudden scare and covered vigorously, sending prices five to seven points above yesterday's closing prices. The bulge was followed by a partial reaction, with the close steady, three to six points net higher.

NEW YORK, February 25.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 6¼c.

Cotton futures market closed steady; February 6 24c, March 6.25c, April 6.22, May 6.25c, June 6.22c, July 6.23c, August 6.25c, September 6.12c, October 6.11c, November 6.10c, December 6.12c; January 6.12c.

Spot cotton closed quiet, middling uplands 6¼c; middling gulf 6¼c; sales 50 bales.

Net receipts 683 bales; gross receipts 1,115 bales; sales 50 bales; exports to Great Britain 819 bales; stock 102,000 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 20,402 bales; exports to Great Britain 29,485 bales; exports to the Continent 4,654; stock 796,824 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 20,402 bales; exports to Great Britain 29,485 bales; exports to the Continent 4,654 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 7,083,645 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,946,777 bales; exports to France 632,456 bales; exports to the Continent 2,137,679 bales.

February 25.—Galveston, quiet at 6⅜c, net receipts 3,216 bales; Norfolk, steady at 6¼c, net receipts 1,765 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 6¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 6¼c, net receipts 1,520 bales; Wilmington, firm at 6, net receipts 100 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6¾c, net receipts 505 bales; Savannah, quiet at 5 13-16c, net receipts 1,012 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 6c, net receipts 5,906 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5¾c, net receipts 826 bales; Memphis, quiet at 6c, net receipts 965 bales; Augusta, quiet at 6⅜c, net receipts 364 bales; Charleston, quiet at 5¾c, net receipts 107 bales.

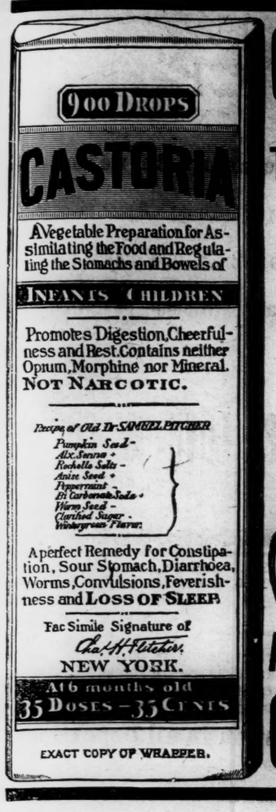
PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 25.—Flour was firmer but quiet; Minnesota $3 95 @4 25. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 85¼c; options opened steady, advanced on Manila news and active St. Louis buying, only to react near the close in consequence of unloading; closed easy at a partial ¼c net decline; No. 2 red March closed 84¼c; May closed 78c; July closed 76¼c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, 45¼c; options opened firm and were strengthened by a probable adjustment of freight rates; closed a shade easier with wheat at ¼@¾c net advance; May closed 41¾c; July closed 41¾c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2, 33c; options dull. Rice firm; domestic, fair to extra 4¾c; Japan 5@5¼c. Cabbage steady at $3 00@9 00 per 100. Coffee—Spot Rio dull but steady; No. 7 invoice 6¾c; No. 7 jobbing 6¾; mild quiet; Cordova 8@14c. Sugar—Raw firm, tending upward; fair refining 3¾c; centrifugal 96 test 4¾c; molasses sugar 3 11-16c; refined firm and active; mould A 5¼c; granulated 5.

CHICAGO, February 25.—Realizing by longs to-day at ½c advance, weakened prices in the wheat pit. May left off with a net decline of ½c. Corn and oats closed unchanged. Pork and ribs are a shade lower and lard unchanged.

CHICAGO, February 25.—Cash quotations: Flour dull. Wheat—No. 2 spring 68@71¼; No. 3 do. 65¼@71c; No. 2 red 72¼@73½c. Corn—No. 2, 35¼@35½. Oats—No. 2, free on board, 27¼@27¾c; No.



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CITY'S NEW CHARTER

Text of the Measure That Has Passed the House of Representatives.

NOW PENDING IN THE SENATE

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners' Powers and Duties—Primaries Ten Days Before Election—Fifteen Days Notice to be Given.

AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON."

The General Assembly of North Carolina Do Enact:

SECTION 1. That an Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Wilmington," ratified the 9th day of March, A. D., 1895, and also an Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Wilmington," ratified the 5th day of March, A. D., 1897, be and they are hereby repealed, and all laws and clauses of laws concerning the City of Wilmington existing at the time of the ratification of the Act of March 9th, 1895, are hereby declared to be in full force and effect, except so far as they are amended by this Act.

SEC. 2. That the election of Aldermen shall be held according to the Charter of the City of Wilmington and the Acts Amendatory thereto, except that the registration books may be open for only ten days previous to the election.

SEC. 3. No member of the Board of Aldermen or the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners shall be eligible to the office of Mayor, or other city office or employment, until the expiration of the term for which such Alderman may have been elected or appointed.

SEC. 4. The Mayor of the City shall receive a salary in lieu of any and all other compensation, to be fixed by the Board of Audit and Finance, of not less than Twelve Hundred Dollars, nor more than Two Thousand Dollars per annum, which salary shall not be diminished during his term of office.

SEC. 5. No person arrested by the City Police for a violation of the laws of North Carolina or the ordinances of the City shall be brought before any other person than the Mayor for trial or submission, except upon the usual affidavit for removal now provided by law.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Mayor to have all persons who are tramps or vagrants, as defined by the laws of North Carolina, brought before him and to notify such tramps or vagrants to find employment within twenty-four hours or leave the city; and, upon failure or refusal to do so within said time, to arrest and put them to work on the streets or other city property for a period not exceeding thirty days.

SEC. 7. The terms of the City Attorney and the City Clerk and Treasurer shall be for two years, beginning on the first Monday in April of each year in which the new Board of Aldermen are to be elected under existing laws, and shall not be removed except for cause.

SEC. 8. That Jesse Wilder, C. W. Yates, S. P. McNair, H. C. McQueen and W. A. Risch be and they are hereby appointed members of the Board of Audit and Finance, whose terms shall commence upon the expiration of the term of the members of the present Board, and shall continue for two years and until their successors are appointed.

SEC. 9. That the Board of Aldermen shall on the first Monday in April, A. D. 1899, or as soon thereafter as practicable, elect three discreet and proper persons from among the qualified electors of the city, who shall constitute, and be known as The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, one of whom shall be elected for the term of two years, another for the term of four years and another for the term of six years, years but biennially thereafter on the first Monday in April the Board of Aldermen shall elect one member of he said Board of Police and Fire Commissioners for the full term of six years to succeed the Commissioner whose term is about to expire.

The members of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners shall forthwith qualify by taking an oath before some pecson authorized by law to administer an oath that they will honestly, faithfully and to the best of their ability discharge the duties of their office. Any vacancy occurring among the members of said Board during their term of office shall be filled by the Board of Aldermen.

SEC. 10. The member of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners having the longest term to serve shall be *ex officio* Chairman, and the said Board shall have the power and authority and it shall be its duty to prescribe the term of office, ages and qualifications, mental, moral and physical, of, and to appoint, all Policemen and Firemen, including the Captain, Lieutenant and Sergeants of the Police Department, and the Chief, Assistant Chief, Foreman and Engineers of the Fire Department, and, from time to time, to adopt rules and regulations for the good government of the Police and Fire Departments of the city. And the said Board shall meet at least once a month, and oftener if necessary, for the transaction of business. The Clerk of the Board of Audit and Finance shall be the Clerk of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners.

SEC. 11. The officers, Policemen and Firemen, so appointed by the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners shall not be removed except for incompetency or misconduct and then only after a hearing and conviction before the Board, upon specific written charges filed with the said Board and by them duly served upon the accused not less than seven days before the time fixed for the hearing of the charges; provided, the Mayor or the Chief of Police shall have power to suspend Policemen, and the Mayor or Chief of the Fire Department shall have power to suspend Firemen, for incompetency or misconduct pending the hearing of such charges. If the charges are not sustained the accused shall not lose any portion of his salary.

PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

SEC. 12. That whenever the executive committee of any political party of citizens in the City of Wilmington decide to take by primary election the sense of the members of the said party as to the proper person or persons to be presented on behalf of that party to the voters of the city at an election to be held in the city, under the laws of this State, for the election of Aldermen in the several wards of the city, and as to the proper persons to be presented to the Board of Aldermen and to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners as the candidates of that party for the offices of Mayor, City Clerk and Treasurer, Chief of Police, and City Attorney, and for the selection of the members of the city executive committee of such party, the said committee shall file a notice of the primary, with such rules for its conduct as it may adopt, not inconsistent with this act, with the City Clerk and Treasurer of said city, at least fifteen days before the time designated for the holding of said primary. Such notice and rules shall be signed by the chairman or acting chairman and attested by the secretary of said executive committee, and by them certified under oath to be true and correct copies of the originals adopted by a majority of said committee. Said notice shall state the places where the voters belonging to that party are requested to cast their votes for the candidates as herein stated; and there shall be only one such place designated for each ward of the city; and the day on which such primary election is to be held—not less than ten days before the city election and the hours within which it is to be held and the names of the inspectors appointed to hold such primary election and receive the votes that may be cast thereat and make report and return thereof, and the time, when such return and report shall be made to the committee directing such primary election to be held; and, also, the date at which a second primary shall be held, as hereinafter provided, in cases where no one person voted for shall have received a majority vote of those cast at the first primary. On the filing of the said notice, and, if the said committee shall have adopted rules for the conduct of said primary, upon the filing of said rules, as provided, with the city clerk and treasurer, the said officer shall immediately cause the same to be copied in a book to be kept and preserved in his office for that purpose and the said notice and rules to be published in three issues each of at least two, or more in his discretion, of the daily newspapers published in said city, under his certificate that the same were filed in his office and the primary called pursuant thereto.

SEC. 13. That no person can vote or take part in the proceedings of any primary election who is not by the laws of the State a lawful elector at the time such primary election is held.

SEC. 14. That the executive committee appointing the inspectors to hold such primary election may declare the terms and conditions on which legal electors offering to vote at such election shall be regarded and taken as proper members of the party at whose instance or in whose interest such primary election has been called or may be held, and therefore entitled to vote at such election as a member of that party, and to provide rules and regulations, not inconsistent with this act, for the conduct of such primary. And upon the filing and publication of said rules and regulations, as hereinbefore provided, any person who shall knowingly and willfully violate or attempt to violate the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court trying the same; provided, that the rule or regulation so violated or attempted to be violated be not inconsistent with the provisions of this act or the law of the State. And the record of the said rules and regulations in the office of the City Clerk and Treasurer shall be received in any court of this State as the evidence of the primary rules and regulations adopted by said party.

SEC. 15. That any recognized member of the party in whose interest such election is held may challenge the right of any person offering to vote at such election and the inspectors there authorized to hold, and holding, such election shall determine on the evidence then furnished whether the person so offering is entitled to vote at such election, and shall receive or reject such votes so offered as to them the evidence for or against the right of the persons so offering to vote shall reasonably warrant.

SEC. 16. That the polls shall be open for such primary elections from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M., and all votes shall be by ballot. The report to the committee so directing such primary elections by the officers holding the same, shall be in writing, with which the original ballots shall be returned and the poll list of the voters made at the time of the voting and the reasons on which any challenged vote was received or rejected. Said committee shall carefully examine the returns and reports so made and thereupon decide who are the persons that have been chosen by the majority vote cast in the primary election, and as candidates of the party for the office of aldermen at the approaching election; and such of the executive offices of the city to be voted for by the aldermen then to be elected as are mentioned in Section 12. The majority vote in a ward shall determine the result in that ward as to the persons to be the candidates of the party in that ward for aldermen and the committeemen from the ward to serve on the party's city executive committee. The majority of the aggregate vote cast in all the wards shall determine who shall be the party's candidates for Mayor and such other of the officials as are mentioned in Section 12. The said committee shall without delay publish in at least one issue each of two daily newspapers published in said city the tabulated statement of the result of the primary and declare who shall have been nominated and for what office, and also for what offices by reason of no person having received a majority of the vote cast there has been a failure to nominate. Thereupon, the second primary shall be held, as may be necessary because of the failure to nominate at the time designated in the first notice, and by the same inspectors appointed to hold the first primary, no other than the first notice being necessary; and at such primary only the two persons who shall have been voted for and received the highest and next highest vote in the first primary for candidates for a particular office shall be voted for in the second primary for that office; unless, either of those shall publicly withdraw by letter addressed to the said committee, in which event the third highest shall be then substituted for the person so withdrawing, or the fourth highest; and so on, if the persons voted for in the first and entitled to be voted for in the second primary shall in said manner withdraw. And the vote shall be canvassed and the result declared in the same manner as herein provided for the first primary.

SEC. 17. That except as herein provided all elections at primary elections under this act shall be regulated by the election law of the said city in force at the time such primary election is held as nearly as the same can be done.

SEC. 18. That if any person who is not entitled to vote under this act shall vote at any primary lection held hereunder, or vote more than once, or personate another person, or in any name other than his own legal name, or in any manner disturb the orderly proceedings of any such election, or intimidate, or in any manner attempt to intimidate, or to deter from voting, or bribe or attempt to bribe, any lawful voter, or impose, or attempt to impose on any lawful voter, a ticket or ballot other than it appears on its face to be, such person or persons shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined not less than $10.00, or be sentenced to hard labor upon the streets of the city for not more than three months, one or both at the discretion of the court trying the case.

SEC. 19. That the inspectors who may hold such primary elections under this act, and return the votes, proceedings and actions thereof, herein provided, shall before assuming the duties make oath before some officer authorized to administer an oath, that they will honestly, faithfully, and to the best of their ability, do and perform all the duties of their respective offices, and any willful violation of said oath or of any other taken under the provisions of this act, shall be held to be perjury, and shall be punished as provided by the laws of the State for the crime of perjury.

The Chief of Police and the Sheriff of New Hanover County are required to see that good order is preserved at such election, and may arrest and present for commitment to the nearest officer clothed with the power of justice of the peace, all persons who may be guilty of any violation of the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 20. That the inspectors holding such primary election under the provisions of this Act may of their own motion, or in case of the challenge of any person offering to vote, if they deem there is any doubt of the propriety under the provisions of this Act of the vote so offered, require of the person so offering to vote his oath as to the fact which authorized the vote, and if the person so offering to vote declines to make the oath so demanded, his vote shall be rejected.

SEC. 21. That the costs and expenses of holding such primary election shall be borne by the city. The compensation of each of the inspectors shall be three dollars a day, and all charges and expenses shall be reasonable.

SEC. 22. That there shall be three inspectors of election appointed for each election precinct at such primary election, and in making the appointment of inspectors the executive committee shall, so far as possible, select qualified voters from a list of names agreed upon by a majority of the candidates before a primary election; provided, such agreed list is filed with the committee on such days as may be designated by the committee.

SEC. 23. That the executive committee of the city, when they are petitioned by one hundred qualified electors of the same political party the committee belongs to, shall call and cause to be held a primary election as provided for in this act; and should the committee refuse to call or hold such primary election as petitioned for, they shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction be punished by imprisonment in the county jail not less than thirty days or more than ninety days.

SEC. 24. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 25. This Act shall be in force from and after the ratification.

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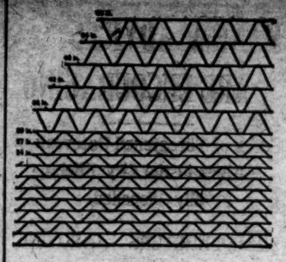

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RESOURCES.		*LIABILITIES.*	
Loans	$ 698,879.57	Capital	$ 125,000.00
Overdrafts	508 32	Surplus	70,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	95,500.00	Undivided profits	18,448 05
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00	Circulation	40,950.00
Due from app'd res've ag't's	$110 483 68	Deposits U. S. Treas.	$ 50,000.00
Due from other banks	185 166.36	Deposits from Banks	219 477.45
Cash on hand	112,176.13—407,825.19	Deposits from individuals	691,997.58—955,415.03
Total	$1,209,813.08	Total	$1,209,813.08

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Feb. 4, '97.	Feb. 4, '98.	Feb. 4, '99
Total Deposits	$980,000	$937 001	$955,415
Surplus and Net Profits	64 100	74,800	88,448

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Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 3:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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Leave Fayetteville	12 20 P. M.
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Leave Sanford	1 50 "
Leave Climax	3 44 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 15 "
Leave Greensboro	4 25 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 12 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 44 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 13 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 25 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 Daily.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 45 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 09 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 36 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 12 P. M
Leave Climax	12 42 "
Leave Sanford	2 30 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 49 "
Arrive Fayetteville	3 58 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 02 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 05 "

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Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 30 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. Daily.
Leave Fayetteville	4 53 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	4 52 "
Leave Red Springs	5 35 "
Arrive Maxton	6 09 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

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Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 35 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

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DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M., Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 5.23 A. M., Washington 7 01 A M., Baltimore 8.33 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 8.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.35 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.20 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.30 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4 12 P. M., Magnolia 4.36 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12 09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 26.

ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL IN THE HOUSE.

Discussed at Great Length, But Consideration Not Completed—Other Appropriation Bills.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Owing to the pressure of business, the House met at 11 o'clock to-day.

Mr. Henderson, Republican, Iowa, stated to the House that on account of the great amount of public business to be disposed of during the remainder of the session it was desirable that the House meet hereafter at 11 o'clock.

Three appropriation bills were yet to pass the House, said he, and but three had gone to the President. An order to meet at 11 o'clock was made.

The House then went into committee of the whole and resumed the consideration of the Army Appropriation bill. General debate closed yesterday and to day the bill was read for amendment under the five minute rule.

Mr. Hay, Democrat, Virginia, the ranking minority member of the Military Committee, criticised the amount carried by the bill, which, he said, was plainly insufficient to maintain an army of 100,000 men. The hearings before the committee, he said, had shown that it cost $1,000 to maintain one enlisted man serving in this country, and more while serving abroad. The bill appropriated $79,000 000. His estimate was $120,000,000. He charged that the friends of a large standing army did not desire to let the country into the secret of its enormous cost. But there would surely be a deficiency.

Mr. Hull said he frankly conceded that if the Reorganization bill reported to the Senate yesterday became a law there would be a deficiency.

Mr. Hull, in the course of some remarks, said he understood the Senate committee compromise army reorganization bill would never go to conference.

Mr. Underwood, Democrat, Alabama, raised a point of order against the provision for an increase of the number of clerks, and being overruled, moved to strike it out. The motion was lost.

The Philippines Question.

Mr. Cochran, Democrat, Missouri, attempted to secure time to answer the statements made on the other side yesterday that there was nothing in the nature of an alliance between Aguinaldo and the American forces before the capture of Manila. Mr. Hull objected.

"This is not the first time," said Mr. Cochran, "that the majority in the closing hours of a debate have made charges and then objected to replies. Their objections are made to cover their retreat."

Mr. Hull thereupon withdrew his objection and Mr. Cochran proceeded to give what he said was the most "important chapter" of the war. Upon the testimony of three American generals, he contended, first, that we solicited an alliance; second, that it was solemnly formed; third, that the Filipinos kept their faith, and, fourth, that we shamefully violated our compact. He referred to the reports of General Anderson, General Greene and General Merritt to prove his assertions of the valuable aid rendered by Aguinaldo and the insurgents.

Mr. Cochran also insisted that the money said to have been embezzled by Aguinaldo ($400,000) had been used in the purchase of arms and in fighting the Spanish domination in the Philippines. This, he said was proven by the testimony of Consul Wildman.

Congress Should Support Our Soldiers.

Mr. Lewis, Democrat, Washington, delivered a sort of valedictory upon the conclusion of his two terms in Congress, in which he expressed his views, amid general applause from both sides of the House, that no matter what differences there might be as to our rights and duties in the Philippines, Congress must, and every member of Congress should, support our soldiers fighting abroad for the honor and glory of their country.

Mr. Lacey, Republican, Iowa, after complimenting Mr. Lewis, strongly denounced the other side generally for firing into the rear of Otis by sounding the praises of Aguinaldo and Agoncillo upon the floor of the House. Concluding he paid a glowing tribute to the valor of the American soldier fighting in the trenches under the tropic sun at Manila.

Treason to Hesitate.

Mr. Grosvenor, Republican, Ohio, pursuing the subject along the same lines, said it was treason to stop and hesitate as to whether our soldiers should be defended. He denied that there had been any alliance with Aguinaldo, and said that at the proper time he would produce the record. The first order of the President after the fall of Manila had forbidden any and all alliances of any character with any one. He referred to Aguinaldo as a "scallawag."

"I can say what I desire in two sentences," said Mr. Cannon, Republican, Illinois, who then got the floor. "If the speeches made here yesterday by Mr. Simpson and others had been made yesterday in Manila they would have been arrested, tried by drumhead court martial and shot. [Republican applause and Democratic jeers]. The United States has and will continue to exercise sovereignty in the Philippines. If they are obstructed the power of the whole people, as represented by the army and navy, will see to it that our authority is maintained and the rocks and mountains will fall upon any individuals or any party which seeks to obstruct us." [Great Republican applause.]

Mr. Simpson rose to a question of personal privilege to answer the statement of Mr. Cannon that if he (Simpson) had made his speech at Manila he would have been court-martialed and shot. Perhaps this might be so, said Mr. Simpson derisively, adding:

"But to be shot at Manila is better than to be shot here by an old muzzle-loading brass cannon." There was great laughter at Mr. Simpson's pun. He had not, he declared, criticised the soldiers, for he gloried in their heroism. But the blood of those brave soldiers from Kansas and elsewhere who had fallen at Manila, was on the head of the President as commander in-chief of the army.

The committee rose at 2 o'clock without having completed the Army bill and took up the special order of eulogies to the late Senator Walthall of Mississippi. Eulogies were also pronounced on the late Mr. Love, of Mississippi.

At the conclusion of the eulogies at 5:55 the House adjourned.

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REORGANIZATION OF THE ARMY.

The Compromise Measure Taken Up for Consideration in the Senate.

IT MEETS WITH OPPOSITION.

Provision for a Permanent Increase in the Army an Objectionable Feature—A Long Discussion—No Agreement Reached for a Vote.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 25.—After two hours devoted to the consideration of bills on the calendar to-day the Senate at 1 o'clock began the consideration of the Compromise Army Reorganization bill, which had been agreed upon by the members of the Military Affairs Committee. Until a short time before the measure was taken up, it was supposed it would be passed to-day without serious difficulty, but when it was learned by some Senators that the bill provided for a permanent increase in the standing army, objections were heard and it became evident that the measure would have to run the gauntlet of sharp criticism.

Senator Gorman, Democrat, of Maryland, desired that the authorization of a permanent increase in the army should be given and proposed an amendment as follows: "That each and every provision of this act shall continue in force until July 1st, 1901, and on and after this date the officers and men, including general officers and staff officers, shall be restored to rank and numbers, as provided for by law prior to April 1st, 1898, except the cadets appointed prior to July 1st, 1901, and except as provided for in the act to authorize two additional regiments of artillery, approved March 8th, 1898."

Speeches in support of the bill were delivered by Senator Hawley, of Connecticut; Senator Cockrell, of Missouri; Senator Carter, of Montana, and Senator Smith, of New Jersey, and against it by Senator Morgan, of Maryland, and Senator Allen, of Nebraska. No agreement to vote on the bill had been reached when the Senate adjourned.

Features of the Measure.

When the Compromise Army Reorganization bill was taken up, Senator Gorman, Maryland, suggested that the bill go over until Monday, but to this Senator Hawley objected. Senator Carter asked unanimous consent to vote on the bill at 3 o'clock Monday. Senator Allen, Nebraska, objected.

Senator Cockrell, Missouri, a member of the Military Affairs committee, discussed at length the features of the measure.

"This measure," said he, "has been examined very carefully. I endorse it, because it is right, just, proper and necessary. It will settle for years to come the standing army controversy." Further along in his analysis of the bill, Senator Cockrell said the increase in the army provided for by the bill was "perfectly justifiable and absolutely essential."

Senaror Hawley offered an amendment providing that "no person who has passed the age of 45 years, shall be appointed as a field officer in said force, (the volunteer force) officers of the regular army excepted."

Senator Pettigrew suggested an amendment to the amendment excepting officers and enlisted men who served in the war with Spain.

Allen in Opposition.

Pending action upon the amendment, Senator Allen, Nebraska, addressed the Senate in opposition to the general features of the bill. He was surprised that Senator Cockrell could give his sanction to such a measure. "If there ever was a hideous skeleton, a monstrosity, a deformity in legislation, this bill is one," he declared. "It is warped, disjointed, dislocated. It lacks science, it lacks coherence, it lacks good sense."

Commenting upon Section 9, of the bill, which gives to cooks the pay and allowances of sergeants of infantry, Senator Allen said ironically that it evidently required a higher order of talent to cook than to fight. "If all that has been said about canned beef and embalmed beef is true," said he, "the ordinary cook ought to have higher pay than a colonel, because it would require a high order of skill to cook and serve such food successfully. I am not concerned in this delightful fight now going on between the Secretary of War and the general commanding the army. I honor General Miles in that fight. Every intelligent man in the country believes that our army was fed on that trash and that a large percentage of the sickness and mortality in the army was due to the food given to the soldiers."

Passing from the army troubles, Senator Allen adverted to some in the navy. He regarded it as a glorious thing that Admiral Dewey had the presence of mind to cut the cable between him and Washington and that it was fortunate for Dewey that he was in position to sever connection with Washington.

"Then, too," said Senator Allen, we have the controversy over the two rear admirals in the navy. Whether the man who fought the battle resulting in the destruction of Cervera's fleet and won it shall have the laurels of victory, or whether they shall go to a man who was ten miles away seems a subject of controversy by the Navy Department.

"The American people 70,000,000 of honest hearts and honest souls, will always believe that Schley was the hero of that battle and won the battle, and I am not detracting anything from the service of Admiral Sampson, who if he had been there, would have acquitted himself nobly. This seems to be a game of battledore and shuttlecock and over in the Navy Department they are shedding more ink than blood."

Gorman Makes a Suggestion.

Senator Gorman said that if one proviso were contained in the bill, to the effect that at the expiration of the two years the army should again be reduced to a peace footing of 27,000 men, he would agree to it. "Whatever the conditions may be," he continued, "with the acceptance of the proviso, I suggest you will have an army of 100,000 men until four months after the term of President McKinley shall have expired. The measure will give him greater power than a President ever had."

Senator Hawley had asked who was afraid of a large standing army. In reply he (Gorman) said that every State in the Union was afraid of it. He (Senator Gorman) was afraid of it himself. Such an institution was contrary to the spirit of our affairs.

He had great personal respect for Mr. McKinley, and had no criticism except that in his good nature he had permitted weakness and inefficiency in the departments. "Weakness," I say, repeated the Senator, "time alone can reveal whether there has been anything worse."

Army and Navy Expenditures.

He computed that for next year the expenditures on account of the army and navy would aggregate $389,000,000; greater than the total expenditures of the government from 1871 to 1876. He predicted a deficiency of $180,000,000. Then there must be an increase of direct taxation, or more bonds or certificates. "Even now," said the Senator, "I hear that the secretary of the treasury is contemplating the issue of more government obligations.

Senator Tillman asked if the Philippine rebellion could not be put down by volunteers, and Senator Gorman said he saw no reason why it should not be. But this was not the desire. The wish was to have more shoulder-straps and more soldiers to wear them.

Senator Gorman declared that under the present head of the army a proper organization of the service could be effected. Senator Tillman, interrupting Senator Gorman, "Then there is nothing in the bill to prevent a recurrence of the embalmed beef scandal." Senator Gorman passed off the question lightly, saying he knew little about it.

Senator Tillman—None of us know anything about it yet, perhaps, but there is so much of it in the air we can smell it.

"I do know this," replied Senator Gorman, "the Secretary of War is a much abused man. He is not responsible for the department in which that scandal originated, a department in which the officers are appointed for life."

Advocates of the Measure.

Senator Carter, a member of the Military Affairs Committee, replied to Senator Gorman. After discussing at length the result of the war with Spain, showing how the Philippines fell into our hands, he asked if it was desirable to leave those islands to float about the Pacific as political derelicts. To do that, he declared, would be the national crime of the century.

Senator Smith, Democrat, New Jersey, in stating his reasons for supporting the bill, said that as a general and broad principle he was opposed to a large standing army, in ordinary circumstances. He regarded such an army as dangerous to the liberties of the people. "In the hands of a less scrupulous man than President McKinley," said he, "a large standing army may be used to repress freedom of speech and the pressure of it might be used to sustain large corporations in unlawful combinations. It will cause an immense expenditure of public money. There is no necessity for a large standing army when viewed from the lessons of the past glorious battles of the volunteers.

"I will not see the flag displaced or the country humiliated through any action of mine;" he said, "I am a Democrat and shall always remain so, but I am an American citizen."

The Army bill was then laid aside for the day.

On motion of Senator Hawley it was agreed that when the senate adjourned it should be until eleven o'clock on Monday morning. After passing forty seven pension bills the Senate at 6.25 adjourned.

GEN. GOMEZ IN HAVANA.

Nothing to Indicate That He Does Not Adhere to Agreement for the Disbandment of Troops.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, February 25.—General Maximo Gomez, accompanied by two aide-de-camps, called upon General Brooke, at his residence at Vedado, at 10 o'clock this morning. He was received by the Governor General, General Chaffee, Chief of Staff Major Kennon and Captain Page. Gomez requested a private interview with General Brooke, and the others, with the exception of one aide-de-camp for Gomez and Major Kennon for General Brooke, withdrew. The conference lasted an hour and a half. Gomez said nothing to indicate that he does not adhere to the agreement arrived at with Mr. Robert P. Porter for the payment and disarmament of the Cuban troops. But he submitted some considerations verbally to General Brooke. Their nature was not disclosed. Their interview terminated with the understanding that Gomez is to put the substance of what he said in writing by Monday next.

The uniform of a Cuban General, which Gomez wore yesterday on his entry into Havana was presented to him on yesterday at Mariano by a Spanish school teacher of Havana and the horse he rode was a gift of General Torros, who is now in Jamaica.

The citizens of Pinar del Rio have sent a dispatch to General Gomez, saying they accept his policy and begging him to visit their city. They have also sent a dispatch to Major General Brooke, thanking him for the appointment of Senor Dolz as governor of the province of Pinar del Rio.

The owners of four Havana tugs have put in a claim for $20,000 in gold to the Havana agents of the Compagnie Generale Trans Atlantique, for the tugs' ineffectual work in floating the steamship Versailles. When she went ashore the tugs were sent to her rescue and their owners are now charging the highest rate allowed in Havana harbor for every hour between their departure and return to Hayana.

WARM WIRELETS.

The United States supply ship Solace, from New York for Manilla, arrived at Port Said yesterday.

The Cayman Islands, 150 miles from Jamaica, were swept by a terrible storm February 13 and 14 which devastated the country districts.

The Senatorial deadlocks existing in several States remain unbroken. Yesterday's balloting showed no important changes.

The Naval Committee of the House has directed a favorable report on the Senate bill creating the grade of Admiral and intended for rear-Admiral Dewey.

The Senate of North Dakota has passed a bill providing for a commission of three physicians in each county for the examination of all applicants for marriage license.

Traffic men of several Southern roads have restored cotton rates to the Seaboard to 43 cents from Atlanta and Athens to Charleston, Savannah and Brunswick, and 49 cents from Atlanta and Athens to Portsmouth.

One case of yellow fever in the Fourth Tennessee regiment, stationed at Sancti Spiritus, Cuba, has been officially reported to the chief surgeon, and it is reported unofficially that there are three other cases there.

A bulletin issued at 9 o'clock last night by Rudyard Kipling's physicians says: "Mr. Kipling has been in a serious condition through the afternoon and evening, which occasions anxiety, but is not without hope."

On the Ward Line steamer Seneca, which arrived at New York yesterday were Capt. Scotto and eight seamen belonging to the Italian bark Barbara Luigi from Pensacola for Genoa, which went ashore on the morning of February 12th on the Little Bahama Banks and became a total loss.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes; Surplus reserved, decreased $4,038,925; loans, increased $12,993,900; specie, increased $523,000; legal tenders, decreased $1,211,600; deposits, increased $13,401,300; circulation, increased $4,000. The banks now hold $30,330,900 in excess of legal requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

MANILA ADVICES ARE ENCOURAGING.

Fears of Threatened Outbreak of Natives in the City Effectually Dispelled.

SHARPSHOOTERS ANNOYING.

Six American Soldiers Wounded—U. S Naval Forces Take Quiet Possession of Island of Cuba—Dewey's Request for the Oregon.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, February 25, 4.35 A. M.—The military and police have raided several suspected houses in various districts, capturing small bodies of twenty to thirty prisoners in each place. This, and the seven o'clock ordinance, is effectually dispelling the fears of the threatened outbreak of the natives, who do not dare, singly or collectively, to appear on the streets after dark. The feeling in the city has decidedly improved, although the Chinese are still timorous.

It is generally believed that the disastrous attempts to attack the city and destroy property—the Filipinos themselves being the worst sufferers—will prevent their recurrence, but every precaution is being taken to deal with an emergency if it arises. The insurance agents refuse to entertain any claims on account of Wednesday night fires. They intimate that General Otis, having guaranteed the safety of life and property of the inhabitants of Manila is responsible for these claims.

Sharpshooters Annoying.

Outside of the city, the sharpshooters about Caloocan are very annoying. Six men belonging to the brigade commanded by General Harrison Gray Otis, have been wounded since midnight. All is quiet elsewhere.

The German first class cruiser Kaiserin Augusta has arrived here.

Sending the Oregon to Manila.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The dispatch from Admiral Dewey, speaking of political reasons for sending the Oregon to Manila at once, is still the subject of general discussion here. But apparently the administration is satisfied that it understands exactly what the admiral meant when he used the term "political reasons," for it was stated positively at the Navy Department to day that no inquiry had been addressed to the admiral on the subject and that he would not be called upon for a further explanation. This means that the interpretation placed upon the phrase by the administration is exactly that conveyed by Secretary Long yesterday, namely, that the big ship is regarded as necessary to impress the Filipinos, not only on Luzon, but those on other islands of the group, of—the overwhelming power of the United States navy, for it is said at the department, in the dense ignorance in which these people live they can be impressed only by personal observation.

The published statement that Admiral Dewey's dispatch on this subject came in open English is an error. The department received from him two dispatches yesterday; one relative to the arrival of the Yorktown, which was in plain English, and the other relative to the Oregon, which was in navy cipher. It was not intended that this dispatch should have been given out for publication, but in the haste of preparation of matter to go before the cabinet it escaped close scrutiny on the part of Secretary Long and was permitted to reach the press along with the other current routine dispatches.

Receives Surrender of Cebu.

Admiral Dewey cabled the Navy Department to-day that he had sent the gunboat Petrel from Manila to Cebu. It is the purpose of the admiral to establish the sovereignty of the United States at the capital of the island, which is a populous town of 35,000 inhabitants. War Department reports say the island of Cebu is the most important province of the Vizayas group, its area being 2,000 square miles and its population more than half a million.

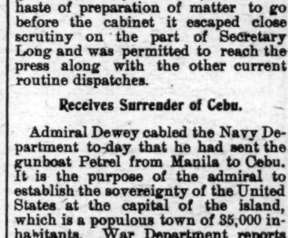
The admiral made no mention of anything save the Petrel in this morning's advices, so the officials here are convinced that nothing of importance at Manila has happened over night.

In view of the apparent disparity between Admiral Dewey's report of the sailing of the Petrel from Manila for Cebu and General Otis' announcement of the surrender of that city to the naval forces, which had taken "quiet possession," further inquiry was made by the Navy Department, and it was learned that Admiral Dewey had been misquoted, and that what he had reported was that the Petrel had received the surrender of Cuba.

Affairs Quiet in Manila.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The War Department to-day received the following:

MANILA, February 25.—Condition of affairs quiet; progressing favorably; anxiety should not be felt in regard to the situation. Will send a small body of troops to Cebu, where navy took quiet possession. (Signed) OTIS.



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By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 25.—Four State constables, charged with the enforcement of the dispensary law, went at 6 o'clock this evening to the residence of John Stewart, a respectable citizen and a clerk in one of the biggest mercantile establishments in the city, for the purpose of searching it to see if there was any whiskey in the house. They went with a search warrant, but were met at the door by Mrs. Stuart. She sent for her husband, who on arriving indignantly refused to permit the search.

The constables stated that they had been informed that he had been selling whiskey contrary to the law, and were determined to make the search. Words followed and finally upon Stuart cursing Constable Crawford the latter slapped him. Stuart ran into his house. His wife had come out on the piazza. From the doorway Stuart opened fire on the constables. Crawford returned it and shot Mrs. Stuart just below the heart. The woman was dangerously wounded but not killed. She is now lying in a critical condition at the city hospital. Stuart was also badly shot in the mouth, his tongue being nearly severed.

In the fusilade that followed Constable Crawford was shot through the left wrist. The sheriff and several policemen arrested the constables and carried them to a magistrate's office. The news of the shooting spread all over the city and soon four or five hundred infuriated men were in front of the office, making a big demonstration. The constables were kept prisoners in the magistrate's office all night, guarded by the sheriff and his deputies. The two local military companies were ordered out and kept the crowd pressed back. There is no danger of a lynching, but public feeling is wrought up to a high state, and if Mrs. Stuart should die, as now seems probable, feeling will run higher.

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad Bought by the Williams Syndicate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, February 25.—A prominent financier, who is in a position to know, said to-day that the Florida Central and Peninsular railroad has been bought by people owning the Georgia and Alabama and the Seaboard Air Line. He believed the intention was to incorporate the road with the other two into a compact Southern system. The details of this scheme, he said, he was not in a position to give. J. Skelton Williams, of Richmond, Va., president of the Georgia and Alabama and the Seaboard Air Line, was in town to-day, but would neither affirm nor deny the rumor.

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